

## WHAT QUALIFICATIONS DO YOUR TEACHERS HAVE?

Our experienced teachers meet all state and local licensing regulations. Many have degrees in Early Education or related fields. We also provide ongoing training on a regular basis in health and safety, child development standards, and more.

## IF THERE'S A WAIT LIST, HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR A SPOT TO OPEN?

It depends on how many families are waiting for a spot in your age group. Children and siblings registered at our other two locations have priority when a spot does become available. New family registration for next school year occurs in February.

## WHAT HAPPENS IF THERE ISN'T AN AVAILABLE SPOT FOR MY CHILD?

You have the option to add your child to our prospective list. Once an appropriate opening becomes available, you will be contacted and offered the spot.

## WHAT IS THE ENROLLMENT PROCESS?

The first step is to become members of the JCC. The second step is to complete online registration which include a \$100 registration fee. First month's tuition for new families/siblings will be charged on April 16, 2025. This will cover your August tuition and your next monthly payment will be August 15, 2024 for September tuition. The final step is to complete the online enrollment documents.

## IS A JCC MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED?

Yes. Membership to the JCC is required for all ECLC programs. Please check out our website for a wide variety programming and activities that are included with your membership.

## ARE THERE SIBLING DISCOUNTS?

Yes, it is 5% off the lower preschool fee.

## HOW DO I APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIP?

You may apply for a scholarship each year by creating an account through the FACTS website, [online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx](https://online.factsmgt.com/signin.aspx). Complete the application by the required date as well as uploading the supporting documentation. Facts conducts a comprehensive evaluation and calculates the applicants financial needs which is shared with the JCC. The JCC will make the final determination for scholarship awards and an Awards Letter is sent via FACTS email to recipients in late May. The process is strictly confidential and families have the choice to accept or decline based on their financial needs. If a family should decline the JCC will refund their preschool deposit.

## DO YOU PROVIDE DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS?

We use the portfolio building assessment feature on Brightwheel that scores based on Ohio's Early Learning & Development Standards. Results are shared during Parent/Teacher Conferences and throughout the year. Referrals are made when necessary. The JCC ECLC is fortunate to have an Intervention Specialist on staff who works closely with our children, families, classrooms, and local school systems to provide support for a child in need. In addition, we offer Speech and Language Screenings on-site and provide services through contract at our locations.

## HOW ARE CLASSROOMS SELECTED? ARE REQUESTS ACCOMMODATED?

In preparation for classroom placements, it's important for parents to know that the JCC Administration and Early Childhood Educators recognize the need to create a well-balanced learning environment for each child. Please know that there are many criteria that we take into account when placing children into classrooms, such as:

- Developmental Abilities
- Gender
- Parental Feedback
- For Pre-K students: Where attending Kindergarten
- Former Teacher Recommendations
- Social Relationships
- Schedules: Half-Day/Full-Day
- Sibling Placement
- Chronological Age

## MAY I BRING MY OWN BABY FOOD? LUNCH FOR OLDER CHILDREN?

Some parents choose to bring their own purees which is fine once baby is 4 months old. Children with dietary restrictions may pack a *pareve* (vegetarian/non-meat) or dairy lunch. We do not provide refrigeration or have the ability to warm food — we recommend the use of thermos products and cold packs in lunch boxes.

## ARE DIAPERS & WIPES PROVIDED?

No, parents provide diapers and wipes.

## DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO BE POTTY TRAINED TO ATTEND?

No, we work with our families to potty train children when they're developmentally ready.

**MY INFANT IS ENROLLED IN THE 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR, BUT WILL BE STARTING LATER THAN THE SCHOOL START DATE OF AUGUST 11, 2025. WHEN DO I BEGIN MY PAYMENT FOR THEIR SPOT?**

You infant spot begins on August 11, 2025 with the first day of school in order to maintain your spot in the ECLC program (until your child begins attending. Once your infant is accepted into the program, your first month's tuition will be charged on April 16, 2025 and next month's tuition will be charged on August 15, 2024.

**WHEN ENROLLING THROUGH THE JCC'S PORTAL I USED A CREDIT CARD FOR FUTURE PAYMENTS THAT I NEED TO UPDATE?**

You are able to go back into your JCC's Portal and update your payment method.

**HOW DO I LOG INTO MY PORTAL? RESET PASSWORD?**

Registration login can be found on [columbusjcc.my.site.com/s/registration](http://columbusjcc.my.site.com/s/registration). You can reset your password on the "Program Registration" tab of the JCC website. Please remember to use the email the JCC membership office has on file.

**I CREATED AN ONLINE ACCOUNT BUT I DON'T SEE MY KIDS LISTED?**

This typically happens when an account is created using a different email than we have on file. If you are unable to register your child, please reach out to your Site Director to confirm which email is on file.

**HOW DO I KNOW THAT MY REGISTRATION WENT THROUGH?**

Once registration is complete and you hit "Done" you will receive an emailed confirmation of your registration.

**COMMON MISTAKES:**

- If you don't complete the registration during the allotted time, it will go into draft status and you will need to start over
- Pay attention to the "course" you are selecting (10 month vs 12 month, 3 day vs 5 day)
- The only thing you should have to pay in advance is the deposit, if it asks you to pay an additional month you did something wrong.